

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 264
By Henry

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dennis F. Dycus, CPA, CFE, CGFM, upon his receipt of the Association of Government Accountants' National Education and Training Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those exemplary professionals who through diligence and dedication have made significant contributions to their chosen fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Dennis F. Dycus, CPA, CFE, CGFM, and Director of the Division of Municipal Audit of the Comptroller of the Treasury of the State of Tennessee, is most assuredly one such stellar public servant deserving of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Williamson County, Mr. Dycus is the recipient of the Association of Government Accountants' (AGA) National Education and Training Award, an honor most befitting this innovative professional and outstanding speaker and presenter; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award was designed to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the education and training of government financial managers; nominees must have developed and/or presented education and training sessions that clearly have had a significant impact on government financial management or advanced the state-of-the-art of governmental financial management; and

WHEREAS, as Director of the Division of Municipal Audit, Mr. Dycus has the monumental responsibility of auditing all municipalities, utility districts, school activity and

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cafeteria funds, housing authorities, certain not-for-profit organizations and other quasi-governmental entities in the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in addition, numerous audits for fraud, waste and abuse are expertly conducted by Mr. Dycus' staff each year; and

WHEREAS, from the beginning of his illustrious career with a national accounting firm, through the last twenty-five years of his involvement with the audits of all forms of governmental entities as a devoted employee of the Comptroller's Office, Mr. Dycus has brought and continues to bring a wealth of practical experience to his work; and

WHEREAS, his exemplary career in professional development, education and training began several years ago, when he was asked to develop and present a training program for municipal financial officials in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, because of the astounding success of this program, Mr. Dycus repeated it several times; and

WHEREAS, from this humble beginning, Mr. Dycus has earned, through hard work and meticulous attention to detail, his reputation as an extremely knowledgeable and accomplished presenter whose programs are extremely valuable to other accounting and audit professionals because they focus on practical information which can be quickly transferred to and utilized in a work setting; and

WHEREAS, because of his great acumen and integrity as a presenter and speaker, the demand for Mr. Dycus' services has increased tremendously not only in Tennessee, but throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, the very epitome of the consummate professional, Mr. Dycus has developed and conducted professional development seminars on a variety of subjects related to governmental accounting, auditing and financial reporting in forty-six states for several groups and organizations, including the Association of Government Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, the Government

Finance Officers Association, the Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants, numerous state societies of certified public accountants, the National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers, Westcott Communications, Inc. and Nichols Education, Inc., as well as many individual professional firms; and

WHEREAS, he is also a frequent speaker at various conferences, both on the local and national levels, and he has authored articles on auditing for fraud for national publications; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman who gives unreservedly of himself to his peers and colleagues, Mr. Dycus is an active member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and he previously served on the Members in Government Committee, the Ad Hoc CPE Curriculum Task Force on Government and the National CPE Curriculum Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, in addition, he is a valued member of the Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants; the Association of Government Accountants, which he previously served as chapter president; the Government Finance Officers Association; and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, which he previously served as chapter president and presently serves with distinction and alacrity as a member of the instructor faculty on a national basis; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Western Kentucky University who has performed graduate work at the University of Tennessee at Nashville, Mr. Dycus graciously and generously donates his expertise and time as a guest speaker and lecturer for various college business and accounting classes, professional associations, local, state and national conferences and not-for-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, he was previously honored with the AGA's National Education and Training Award in 1989 for his superior performance and peerless expertise as a professional development presenter and speaker; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, the ETA Omicron Chapter of Beta Alpha Psi presented him with the Distinguished Alumnus Award in appreciation of his generous and stalwart support of the Western Kentucky University Accounting Department; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Dennis F. Dycus upon his highly deserved receipt of AGA's National Education and Training Award for the second time; commend his dedication to and acumen in providing quality training and education for his peers and colleagues; and salute his commitment to his profession and to the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we extend to Mr. Dycus our best wishes for every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.